

REMARKS

An Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 was filed on May 4, 2007. In a May 10, 2007 Advisory Action such Amendment was not entered as raising new issues with respect to Claims 11 and 23.

In a sincere effort to expedite prosecution Claims 11 and 23 are now canceled and the Amendments of May 4, 2007 are presented.


For the reasons indicated in the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on May 4, 2007, Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 10, 12 to 17, 19, and 22, as well as Claims 8 and 20 which were indicated to have been withdrawn, are urged to be in condition for allowance and such action respectfully is requested.

If there is any remaining point that requires clarification prior to the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance with respect to Claims 1, 3 to 5, 7, 8, 10, 12 to 17, 19, 20, and 22, the Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned attorney so that the matter can be discussed and expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,

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